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A-level
SOCIOLOGY

Paper 3 Crime and Deviance with Theory and Methods

Time allowed: 2 hours

Materials
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Information
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- Questions carrying 10 marks or more should be answered in continuous prose. In these questions you will be marked on your ability to:
  - use good English
  - organise information clearly
  - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

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Crime and Deviance

Answer **all** questions.

0 1 Outline **two** ways that the nature of capitalism may cause people to commit crime.

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0 2 Outline **three** reasons for gender differences in levels of recorded crime.

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0 3 Read **Item A** below and answer the question that follows.

Item A

The media often portray role models with glamorous lifestyles. The news also frequently exaggerates the reporting of events.

The media may contribute to an increase in crime.

Applying material from **Item A**, analyse **two** ways that the media may contribute to an increase in crime.

[10 marks]

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0 4 Read **Item B** below and answer the question that follows.

Item B

Official crime statistics indicate that people from some minority ethnic groups are more likely to be arrested for and convicted of crime than the white ethnic majority. For example, Black people are more likely to be stopped and searched by the police. They are also more likely to be arrested and convicted of crimes or sent to prison.

One view is that differences in crime rates between ethnic groups are the result of the way the criminal justice system labels and criminalises some minority ethnic groups. Others argue that there are real differences in criminality. For example, Left Realists highlight issues such as relative deprivation as a cause of crime and Right Realists argue there is a lack of social control in some groups.

Applying material from **Item B** and your knowledge, evaluate the view that differences in crime rates between ethnic groups are mainly the result of the way the criminal justice system operates.

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Theory and Methods

0 5 Outline and explain **two** sociological perspectives on the purpose of social policy in society.

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0 6 Read **Item C** below and answer the question that follows.

Item C

Before they begin research, sociologists have to make choices about which research methods to use. Positivists favour methods that are more likely to generate quantitative data as they want to discover laws of human behaviour. Others prefer methods that enable a sociologist to gain a deeper understanding of why people behave in certain ways.

Alternatively, it could be argued that practical and ethical factors are more important influences on a sociologist's choice of research method.

Applying material from **Item C** and your knowledge, evaluate the view that theoretical factors are the most important influence on a sociologist's choice of research method.

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